

THE DAILY TELEGRAM.

ELKINS AND DAWSON ARE GIVEN TREMENDOUS AND ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION

Outpouring of Thousands of Voters and Many Ladies at Opening of Republican Campaign is Greatest in Many Years--Court House too Small to Hold Half of Them and Open-Air Meeting is Held--Lovefeast it Proves to be of the Real Sort.

Senator Elkins Reviews the Great Development of the State Under Protective Tariff and Republican Policies--Next Governor Makes Able Analysis of the New Tax Laws and Tax Reform and Pronounces Them in the People's Interest.

The Republicans of Harrison county had the biggest surprise in store Thursday night that the Democrats of this section of the state have witnessed in years, and the night's revelations startled the Democratic politicians so that they are not only discouraged but completely dumfounded and paralyzed. Of course, all manner of misrepresentation and falsehood will be indulged in by them and their organs to offset and destroy the effect, but that will not change the actual situation. Only a few days ago these Democratic politicians went into ecstasy because three or four hundred people had turned out to hear John J. Cornwell, their candidate for governor, speak. But, Thursday night witnessed a tremendous outpouring of the people at the Republican rally, notwithstanding the fact that it threatened rain and did actually rain. So immense was the multitude of people that the court house would not hold half of them. They began to gather at an early hour and long before the speakers arrived the spacious court room was not only filled to overflowing, but the stairways and hallways were literally jammed. But, this was not all. There were hundreds of people on the outside in front of the court house unable to get in. A conservative estimate places the crowd at 2,000 people, and many believe there was even a larger number than that.

The presence of such a multitude was not the only assurance that the people of this county are in sympathy with tax reform and the great Republican cause. The outburst of applause, the general enthusiasm manifest and the existence of a perfect love-feast were evidences that the people of Harrison county and the City of Clarksburg are in earnest this year and united in their determination to support and vote for men and measures, which are to their best interests.

Not within several years has there been such a triumphant meeting, such an enthusiastic expression of the people's approval and endorsement of the Grand Old Party and its policies, and its candidates.

The train bearing Hon. W. M. O. Dawson, the Republican nominee for governor, and United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins from Parkersburg to this place was nearly three hours late and they did not arrive until 8 o'clock at night. The meeting had been called for 7:30 o'clock, and at that hour the court room was filled to its fullest capacity and half the people who had come were not within. The Clarksburg opera house band promptly at that hour began to play and when they entered the court room, there was a rush but not many succeeded in getting into the room. Later the Rough Riders with drum corps many strong marched in a body from their headquarters and added to the music of the occasion as well as to the enthusiasm.

Senator S. F. Reed opened the meeting and made a speech of some length which, because of its earnestness as well as brilliancy, fanned the enthusiasm that was pent up in the breasts of the hundreds there, and from the very start the meeting was a grand love-feast.

Mr. Reed then introduced Senator Ira Robinson, of Grafton, who filled in the interim with ability and gave way to the principal speakers of the evening, upon their making their appearance, Mr. Robinson was given the same rousing reception that greeted Senator Reed's remarks.

As soon as Senator Elkins and Mr. Dawson were ushered into the auditorium, they went up and Senator Elkins retired to his seat. It was at that time that there were a number of people outside who were anxious to get in but could not get in. Accordingly it was decided to all go out in the open and listen to the speakers from the court house steps. Outside the front, street and side yards were filled with the throng.

Mr. Reed introduced Senator Elkins and he was again greeted by a tremendous outburst of enthusiasm. Mr. Elkins spoke of the great pleasure it gave

him to speak in Clarksburg and to the people of Harrison county, and then extolled the people here as a whole for their fine citizenship, brain and culture. He next paid high tributes to Judge Nathan Goff as the most distinguished citizen, able jurist and most loyal Republican of West Virginia, one who had done more, perhaps, in the past to make this state Republican and who today does much toward retaining it in the Republican column.

Senator Elkins then contrasted the present modern city with the country village as he used to know Clarksburg and reviewed forcibly the remarkable progress it had made under McKinley and Roosevelt and Republican state county and city administrations, a strong testimonial of the power and strength of Republican policies in building up the nation. Particular stress was put on the marvelous development West Virginia has made under the protective tariff, in the development of the natural resources, such as oil, timber, coal and other minerals, together with the advantages accruing to those in agricultural pursuits as the natural consequences. He declared that protection made this state. He told the people that the Democratic party by its last official expression, that of the Kansas City platform, is still pledged to free silver, notwithstanding that famous telegram Judge Parker sent, stating that the gold standard is right and irrevocably fixed. He declared that a party with such changing sentiment was not to be trusted, and warned the people against bringing about a change that might mean another four years of Grover Cleveland's administration. He declared that Grover Cleveland with all his power was unable to control his party and that it was not to be expected that a less powerful man could. He admonished them to see to it that the Republican congress and administrative department of the government remains so that prosperity will be unchecked, and stagnation of business and general depression may be avoided. He asserted that the Democratic party was negative and opposed all the statutes, laws and measures Republicans make, but follow ten years afterwards and occupy the shoes of Republicans. He said that in ten years from this date the Democratic party will say what the Republicans are doing now is right, although it bitterly opposes them now, and he is borne out in this by the stand taken today by Parker and those in control of the Democratic party on the money question.

Applying this to state politics Senator Elkins said the Democratic party is to oppose every measure, good, bad or indifferent the Republican administration may have and, true to its record, the Democratic party would oppose any law passed by a Republican legislature. He urged all Republicans to stand pat on both national and state issues. He praised the new tax laws and paid high tribute to Mr. Dawson, declaring him to be a man of highest character, integrity and party loyalty, responsible largely for Republican success in this state. He said he had been closely identified with him both in business and politics for many years, and that he had found him true to every trust, and he predicted that with his wit, experience and knowledge of the needs of the state, his administration would stand at the head of all, and that the interests of every citizen, whether banker, farmer, miner or operator, would be safe during his reign.

"The Republican party does things," said the Senator, "always opposed at the time by the Democracy, to be by them approved in four or eight years later."

"The Republican party in West Virginia can be trusted just as you have learned to trust it in the nation."

Closing with the earnest remark that they should all listen to the speech of Mr. Dawson, who was the best versed man on the tax question in the state, he was cheered to the echo.

Senator Elkins then introduced Mr. Dawson as the next governor of West Virginia, and the air was wrent with one mighty shout that could be heard blocks away.

Mr. Dawson confined himself mostly to state issues, and especially the new tax laws and the tax reform movement. He informed his audience of the fact that this was not the first time tax matter had been undertaken, but that Governor Jackson years ago appointed three men to look into the matter, but they could never agree, and Democratic legislatures had never seen fit to remodel the tax laws. He laid particular stress on the object of the movement, and that is to equalize assessments and taxation, making the system just and relieving the people of the burden of taxation. He showed where the new laws take off direct taxation for state purposes and thereby leave the matter wholly local as to the counties. He explained that all the 35 cent rate for state taxation is taken off, except 5 cents, which goes into the distributable school funds and thus comes back to the counties. Thus he showed conclusively a saving in the matter of taxation on real and personal property. He explained to them that very unequal assessments prevailed as among the counties of the state and that some counties are now paying the burdens of other counties as to state taxes, a condition that the new tax laws destroy.

It was shown that the tax-commission which Henry G. Davis and John H. Holt, the last Democratic nominee for governor, helped to get up, recommended the assessments at the true and actual value just as the new laws do, and he argued that that was the only just way to make assessments. One of the attractive features of the new laws and actual true values is that money, notes and bonds, not now taxed, would be listed under the reduced rate of taxation, as has been shown in Connecticut and other states, and the more property there is on the books the less will be the rate and the tax of each. He showed conclusively that the large property interests, which have not been reached, will be under the new system, and thereby, will the small property holder be relieved. In speaking of the rate he reminded the audience that the maximum rate is now \$1.70-85 cents county, 35 cents state and 40 cents district building fund. With the 30 cents state off, the county rate only 60 cents and the district rate 20 cents, as under the new laws, there is a reduction in the rate to the extent of 85 cents, leaving the rate 85 cents instead of \$1.70. Thus there is less tax. One of the advantages of the lower rate is that, when industries want to locate in this state the first thing they inquire about is the rate of taxation, and this being low, they are more likely to come.

Mr. Dawson firmly believes that all notes, bonds, papers and so on will be reached under the new laws. He favors the exemptions of debt as to real estate the same as in the case of personal property, but there is no ready way yet. He hopes that may be done soon. He said in this connection, if exemptions were now allowed on debt as to real estate, the railroads, pipe lines and many public industries would almost entirely escape taxation, something that he did not favor. He was lauded as to the Standard Oil Company and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company and he handled those without gloves. He showed that all oil territory is to be taxed, all gas territory, all pipe lines, all leases and all the contingencies as to the existence of oil or gas and all other minerals in the state and this tax is to be on the actual value of the properties. The same applies to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad as well as all other railroads, car lines, telephone lines, street car lines, and by car lines he explained that the law meant the Pullman and other strings of cars that go through the state, and which do not belong to the railroad companies. He also told how he and the remainder of the board of public

works had put a tax on the Pullman cars and the state thereby derived taxes, which Democratic legislatures had never been able to do. He also called attention to the Dawson corporation law that has brought a great amount of revenue to the state.

In speaking of the tax commission bills, he denied that he had ever been in favor of passing them as a whole and proved it by reference to a letter written by him and published in the Grafton Sentinel even before he sought the gubernatorial nomination. He stated that he stands exactly on tax reform matters where he stood a year ago and has nothing to retract in any of his utterances. He challenged any Democrat to show that his course now is any different from what it has been all the time in this particular.

The speaker paid his respects to Mr. Cornwell, his opponent, by showing that he had a double record on the tax question. One day he voted for tax reform measures and the next day he voted the other way. Mr. Dawson had Cornwell's famous Charles Town speech down pretty pat and quoted liberally from it to show that Mr. Cornwell is not a tax reformer.

In speaking of the Democratic platform as to a new constitution Mr. Dawson showed that that meant that such a constitution could not as a matter of law go into effect until 1912, and the people therefore, by that plan would have to wait eight years for tax reform, and might not get it then.

Mr. Dawson made many more valuable and convincing points, which fully explained the fact that the new laws and the plan of tax reform are in the best interests of the people as a whole. He was listened to with attentiveness and there were frequent significant expressions of approval.

The meeting was, indeed, a great triumph for not only Mr. Dawson but for the Republican party and its principles and will long remain memorable.

ENGAGEMENT IMMINENT

At Mukden, Japanese Having Completed Preparations For Forward Movement.

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 30.—The general staff has news that in a general assault on Port Arthur from September 20 to 26, the Japanese were everywhere repulsed.

The Associated Press has from a reliable source that the Japanese fighting near Mukden resulted in driving in Kuropatkin's outposts.

By Associated Press.

Mukden, Sept. 30.—Japanese preparations for a forward movement now seem to be completed and an active engagement is imminent.

SECY. TAFT IS COMING

On a Speaking Tour Through This State and Will Be at Grafton Oct. 11.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 30.—Secretary Taft will leave tonight on a speaking tour through Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Maryland. He opens his campaign at Warren on Saturday. Among other appointments are Evansville, Ind., Oct. 3; Indianapolis, Oct. 6; Cleveland, Oct. 8; Wheeling, Oct. 10; Grafton, Oct. 11, and Martinsburg, Oct. 12.

GOVERNOR MURDERED

At Arzila and Many Townspeople Killed By Surrounding Tribes Out of Revenge.

By Associated Press.

Algier, Morocco, Sept. 30.—The governor of Arzila has been murdered by members of surrounding tribes out of revenge for imprisoning members of the tribes. The prisoners were released.

Many townspeople at Arzila were killed.

Hay Will Remain.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 30.—President Roosevelt of the California University here, today says he had it from President Roosevelt that in case he is re-elected Secretary Hay has consented to remain at the head of the state department.



UNITED STATES SENATOR, STEPHEN B. ELKINS.

DYNAMITE BLEW BOY'S EYES OUT

AND HORRIBLY LACERATED HIS FACE AND HEAD LEAVING HIM IN A CRITICAL CONDITION.

LITTLE SEVEN-YEAR-OLD HARRY SHRIEVE VICTIM OF DEPLORABLE ACCIDENT--NEARLY BLED TO DEATH.

Six-Year-Old Ralph Swiger Also Injured--Terrible and Pitiable Affair Occurs on A. G. Swiger's Farm, on Lambert's Run.

The explosion of a dynamite cart-ridge caused a most deplorable accident at the home of S. G. Swiger, near the Swiger Hill church, at the head of Lambert's run Thursday afternoon about three o'clock, and as a result Harry Shrieves, seven-year-old son of Emery Shrieves, lies in a critical condition with both his eyes torn out and his head and the upper part of his body torn and lacerated. Ralph Swiger, six years old, was also struck by a flying piece from the explosion and injured but only slightly.

Ralph and Charley Swiger, aged 6 and 8 years, respectively, sons of Mr. S. R. Swiger and the little Shrieves boy went to a spring on the farm for some water. Mr. Swiger had gone away some distance and left the boys alone. The Shrieves boy climbed up in an old milk house and after rummaging around in it found a dynamite cart-ridge. He took it to a flat rock lying on the ground and struck it on the top with another large rock. To his surprise the full force of it in his face. He bleated frightfully and it was thought he would bleed to death before medical assistance could be rendered. He was attended to shortly and six terrible injuries dressed by a physician. He now lies in a critical condition and it is feared he cannot survive. Charley Swiger escaped unhurt being some distance from the explosion.

FOOTBALL SEASON BEGINS

In Clarksburg Saturday Afternoon When Broadus and High School Teams Meet on Fair Grounds.

The foot ball season opens in Clarksburg Saturday afternoon when the Clarksburg high school team will meet the Broadus College team at the fair grounds in the West end. The two teams have been recently organized and Howard Blake, the well known foot ball player has been coaching the players. The game promises to be an interesting one. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged. The game will be called at 3 o'clock sharp.

SENATOR HOARD IS DEAD

AGED AND POWERFULLY INFLUENTIAL STATESMAN AND REPUBLICAN LEADER NO MORE.

PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HIS HOME IN MASSACHUSETTS AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

Flags Are Half Masted at Boston and Governor Bates Announces His Death in Eulogistic Proclamation--Senators to Attend Funeral.

By Associated Press.

Worcester, Mass., Sept. 30.—Senator Hoar is dead. The end came peacefully in the aged statesman at fifty minutes after two o'clock this morning. His death had been expected almost momentarily since yesterday afternoon, though a midnight physician stated that he might live well into today. He had been in bed for hours before the end and had not moved nor uttered a sound.

The immediate members of the Senator's family were at his bedside when death came.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 30.—Flags are half masted on account of the death of Senator Hoar. Governor Bates announced his death in a eulogistic proclamation.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 30.—President Pro Tempore of the Senate Frye has designated the following Senators to represent the Senate at the funeral of Senator Hoar at 2:30 p.m. Monday next: Lodge, Hale, Dwyer, McComas, Spooner, Foraker, Beveridge, Elkins, Dryden, Stewart, Cockrell, Breckenridge, Gorman and Morgan.

GRAFTON COUPLE

Are Married at Goff Methodist Parsonage by Dr. Arbuthnot--Will Reside in Baltimore.

Mr. Arthur L. Wadsworth and Miss Rose M. Crowley, both of Grafton, were married at the Goff Methodist parsonage Thursday night at 9:30 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Dr. S. K. Arbuthnot in the presence of a number of friends. Mr. Wadsworth is an engineer on the Parkersburg branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. They will reside in Baltimore. The groom is a relative of Boyd E. Wadsworth, of Adamstown.

Gas Explosion Kills Two.

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 30.—The building used by the Natural Gas Company as a distributing station was demolished today by a gas explosion and two men were fatally injured. They were employed.

FLOWERS GIVEN 15 YEARS

IN THE PENITENTIARY FOR THE MURDER OF HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, WILLIAM LATON, A FEW WEEKS AGO.

TAKEN IMMEDIATELY TO THE INSTITUTION AT MOUNDSVILLE BY DEPUTY SHERIFF KNOX AND ASSISTANT.

Sell Reed Will Be Punished Other Than By Being Sent to Reform School, Being Too Old For That Place--Other Circuit Court Affairs.

In circuit court Friday morning Beverly Flowers, who some time ago murdered his brother-in-law, William Laton at Bristol, in a quarrel, and who pleaded guilty at a former day of the term of second degree murder, was sentenced to the penitentiary. Judge Mason gave him fifteen years at hard labor. He was taken over the Short Line at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon by Deputy Sheriff John M. Knox and H. E. Reeder to the penitentiary.

The order sending Sell Reed to the Reform school was rescinded and he will be otherwise punished.

C. W. DAVIS ARRESTED

On a Federal Capias, Charged With Violating the Postal Laws--Was Indicted Last Week at Wheeling. Gives Bond of \$500.

Deputy Marshal Dan R. Jackson, of the federal court, arrested Curtis W. Davis at Wallace Thursday afternoon on a capias. Davis is a well known young man in that section and has been engaged both in teaching and the mercantile business. The arrest was the result of an indictment found against him at Wheeling by the federal grand jury last week. He is charged with violations of the postal laws or more particularly of sending objectionable matter through the mails. The exact nature of the crime has not been given out, but it is supposed that he sent threatening letters, or something of that sort through the mails. He was brought here Thursday night and taken before Commissioner Thomas S. Spates, in whose court he gave bond of \$500 for his appearance in federal court for trial.

SAVED LIFE OF WOMAN

Who Was Falling Under Wheels of Short Line Train Did J. R. Hugas, the Train Newsdealer.

J. R. Hugas, the newsman on the Short Line passenger train, saved a woman from being ground to death under the wheels of the train Thursday at New Martinsville and his heroic act was witnessed by the delegation of Clarksburg Eagles, who went to attend the funeral of the late Robert C. Hill. The woman was Mrs. Frances Hill, a sister of the dead man. She was going to Pittsburgh and by mistake boarded the Short Line train going to Clarksburg. She did not discover that she was on the wrong train until after it had started and while it was pulling out of the depot she tried to get off. She lost her balance and Hugas saw that she was about to be run over under the train's wheels. He gave a jumping jump towards the woman and grabbed her around the waist. The force of his jump knocked her away from the train and both rolled over on the platform away from the train. The quick action of the newsman undoubtedly saved Mrs. Hill's life. The Clarksburgs who witnessed the deed claim Hugas a hero.

PAYNE VERY ILL

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 30.—Postmaster General Payne, who was reported last night suffering from an attack of heart trouble was this morning reported somewhat improved. Physicians say he is very weak. His condition is serious. He was resting quietly and free from pain at 9:20 a.m.